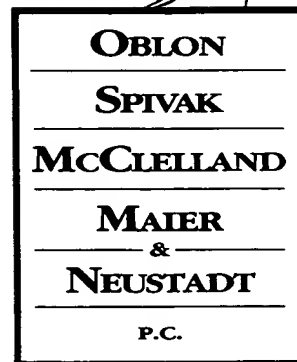




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Declaration and Power to Attorney for Patent Application, Executed (8 pages)

Our check in the amount of \$ __ is attached covering any required fees. In the event any variance exists between the amount enclosed and the Patent Office charges for filing the above-noted documents, including any fees required under 37 CFR 1.136 for any necessary Extension of Time to make the filing of the attached documents timely, please charge or credit the difference to our Deposit Account No. 15-0030. Further, if these papers are not considered timely filed, then a petition is hereby made under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 for the necessary extension of time. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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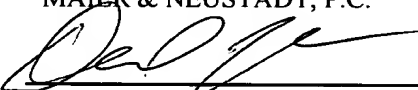
Responsive to the notification dated August 6, 2001, and in accordance with the provisions of 37 CFR 1.53(f), Applicants submit herewith a Rule 63 Declaration. The required fee was paid at the time of filing the application.

The Declaration enclosed herewith contains the Title of the Invention and Inventor(s) name(s) and is believed, in combination with the application serial number and filing date contained in this cover letter, to adequately identify the above-identified application in accordance with 37 CFR 1.63, as set forth in MPEP Section 601.01.

In light of the foregoing, this application is deemed to be in proper condition for examination and such favorable action is earnestly solicited.

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